

REMARKS

Applicants' representative would like to thank Examiner Pang for the courtesies extending during a telephonic interview on March 23, 2006. During the interview, the Examiner indicated that Claims 2-4, 6, 8-9, and 11-12 would be allowed if the remaining rejected claim is cancelled. Accordingly, Applicants have canceled independent Claim 1 and therefore respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance.

Claims 2-4, 6, 8-9, and 11-12 are now pending in the application. By this paper, Claims 1, 5, and 10 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection in view of the foregoing remarks.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw presently outstanding rejection. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 341-1398 (M, T, W, and F) or (248) 944-6526 (TH).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 3-23-06

By: 
Matthew H. Szalach, Reg. No. 53665
Attorney for Applicants

Thomas A. Jurecko
CIMS 483-02-19
DaimlerChrysler Intellectual Capital Company, LLC
DaimlerChrysler Technology Center
800 Chrysler Drive
Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2757

Serial No. 10/769,223

Page 6 of 6